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Minutes of the Howard County Public Works Board – Tuesday, May 12, 2015

Members present: Mr. John Rhoad, Mr. Shahid Qureshi; and Ms. Abby Glassberg.

Staff present: Holger Serrano, Acting Executive Secretary; Wes Daub, Project Manager, Utility Design Division; Marshall Davidson, Project Manager of Transportation and Special Projects, Utility Design Division; Tina D. Hackett, Chief, Real Estate Services Division; Chaunta Taylor, Recording Secretary, Department of Public Works.

Mr. John Rhoad, Acting Chairperson, called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 p.m.

1. **Approval of minutes:** Mr. Rhoad indicated that the first item on the agenda is the approval of the minutes of April 14, 2015. Mr. Rhoad asked if there were any comments or questions.

Motion: On a motion made by Mr. Qureshi and seconded by Ms. Glassberg, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of April 14, 2015.

Mr. Rhoad made a brief announcement; Mr. Marshall Davidson has made himself available to speak with the public that may be here for the Trotter Road Stabilization Project No. D-1163. Any questions Mr. Davidson will speak with you outside this meeting, the formal presentation for Trotter Road has been rescheduled to the May 12, 2015 Public Works Board meeting. Mr. Davidson clarified that due to a clerical error the presentation for Trotter Road Stabilization Project No. D-1163 has been postponed to May 12, 2015.

2. **Capital Project:**

(a) Capital Project No. W-8698, Trotter Road Routine Water & Sewer Main Extension

Staff Presentation: Mr. Wes Daub, Project Manager, Utility Design Division, Bureau of Engineering Department of Public Works, indicated that he's presenting the Trotter Road Routine Water and Sewer Extension. This is the first of two public hearings required under Section 18.211 of the Howard County Code for construction affecting scenic roads. When a capital project affects a scenic road, Section 18.211 of the Howard County Code requires preliminary and final design meetings to receive comments on the design from interested individuals. The subject capital project is W-8698, the Trotter Road Routine Water and Sewer Extension. The capital project was approved on July 8, 2014. The project and associated construction will impact Trotter Road which is listed in the inventory of scenic roads of Howard County.

The proposed 8-inch water main installation will be entirely within the paving of the public roadway, connecting to the existing water main at the round-a-bout at the intersection of South Wind Circle with Trotter Road at the north end and extending southward approximately 950 linear feet to connect to the terminus of the existing 12-inch water main at the intersection of Tall Timber Drive. Similarly, the proposed 8-inch sewer main installation will drain to an existing terminal sewer manhole at the above-mentioned round-a-bout at South Wind Circle and extend southwards entirely within the paving of the public roadway approximately 875 linear feet. There are ten existing residences that will be served by these water and

sewer extensions. After the water and sewer main installations, the roadway and shoulders will be restored and repaved. The scenic road features will be preserved and protected.

The roadway grades, width, and alignment will remain the same. The existing scenic view will be altered by the addition of a fire hydrant on Trotter Road opposite from and between #5946 and #5960. In addition, there will be 4 sewer manhole frames and covers set flush with the restored pavement surface in the customary manner. There are no planned impacts to the vegetation and trees in this section of the scenic roadway due to the water and sewer main construction.

Per the requirements of Section 18.211 of the Howard County Code, interested individuals and residents were notified of tonight's meeting by advertisement in local newspapers for 2 consecutive weeks in advance of the meeting. Copies of the 50% complete water and sewer plans were made available for inspection at the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering, and they are available for review here tonight. Copies of the advertisement are included in tonight's presentation package.

Mr. Daub did note that the second public hearing will be at the June Public Works Board meeting.

Board Questions: The Board asked the following questions:

- Mr. Qureshi what is the duration of the contract. Mr. Daub's response was it will take approximately 2 – 3 months depending on the weather. It's designed where the sewer is deep in some places 14 to 15 feet deep. It's located on the side of the road and it's straight so they will be able to maintain 1 lane to compensate for traffic. There won't be any type of detour.
- Mr. Qureshi stated the width of the road is 21 feet will that one lane be enough to maintain traffic. Mr. Daub stated yes, there is a little room on the east side of the road opposite of the sewer -- the plan is to put down crusher run on the shoulder to provide extra width on the road.
- Mr. Rhoad asks for confirmation of clarity on the impact of care of vegetation and trees that he noticed accessed in the report. Mr. Daub stated that there is one large tree in the road and they will instruct the contractor on the project to dig gingerly.
- Mr. Rhoad asked approximately when this project will start. Mr. Daub indicated that after the second meeting in June it could possibly start late summer into early fall.

Public Testimony: None.

There being no further business, the Public Works Board meeting adjourned at approximately 7:43 p.m.


James M. Irvin
Executive Secretary


Chaunta Taylor
Recording Secretary